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COLUMBUS POLICE TEAM WITH WOUNDED WARRIOR AMPUTEE SOFTBALL TEAM

The Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team (WWAST) travels to Columbus, Ohio on September 8-10. The WWAST will be playing in an exhibition game on Friday night at 7:00 PM at Bill Davis Stadium (560 Borror Drive, Columbus, OH) versus The Varsity "O" Alumni Society. On Saturday and Sunday the team will be playing in the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team Tournament at Berliner Park (325 Greenlawn Ave, Columbus, OH). Admission to watch both the exhibition game on Friday night and the tournament on Saturday and Sunday is free., parking at Berliner is \$5.

"We are excited to be returning Columbus, OH for the second year in a row," said WWAST Executive Director and US Army Retired Veteran, Dennis Wince. "We received tremendous support from this area last year and is it easy to see the strong pride everyone from this area displays for the Military and our Veterans – especially our Nation's wounded.

The WWAST is made up of brave men and women, both veterans and active duty soldiers, from all service branches, who have sustained injuries resulting in amputation. Through extensive rehabilitation, they have become competitive athletes again, playing against able-bodied teams in competitive, celebrity, and exhibition games across the country.

In addition to functioning as an outlet for veterans and active duty soldiers to compete athletically, the WWAST uses these cross-country games to raise funds for the WWAST Kids Camp, medical research, and rehabilitation equipment. Now in its fifth year, the WWAST Kids Camp seeks to empower young boys and girls with amputations. The camps are led by WWAST players who work as coaches and mentors, helping teach not just softball skills, but more importantly life skills as well.

"We are proud to be hosting the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team again," said Event Organizer, Stephanie Gibson. "We anticipate another outstanding event along with a patriotic atmosphere to honor our heroes as well as a big crowd to cheer them on. We are a community that cares about our Veterans and our teams are excited to play the WWAST and pay tribute to those who gave so much to our country."

For more information regarding the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team and upcoming events, visit www.thewwast.org.

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